

Today's News - April 15, 2005

The first trilling words for Walker Art Center expansion: "...subtle design details that make curators swoon..." (there will be more for sure next week). – Spain honors Miralles for Holycrood. – Toronto's ugly Pugly Award winners announced: blame them on lax planning rules and lazy developers. – U.K. mid-century Modernist houses making the grade. – Stern news: Quilt Study Center in Nebraska has some people in stitches (one report has image and politics, the other actually talks about the design); School of Business design has Ithaca College feeling like it's "ready for prime time." – A Chicago McDonald's "with a glandular problem" could have had some Chi-town panache from Murphy Jahn or Martin Wolf. – Life inside Yale's Art and Architecture building. – Ellerbe Becket regroups after defections. – NYC High Line goes high profile at MoMA, and intense textiles get extreme showing at the Cooper-Hewitt.

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[An Expansion Gives New Life to an Old Box: The Walker Art Center's new home is a masterly example of how exhausted motifs can acquire new meaning when reworked in a fresh setting. By Nicolai Ouroussoff – Edward Larabee Barnes \(1971\); Herzog & de Meuron \[images\]](#)- New York Times

[Spain honours Miralles Holycrood vision: Manuel de la Dehesa Premio de Arquitectura is recognised as Spain's equivalent of the Royal Incorporation of British Architects' Stirling Prize. -- EMBT](#)- The Herald (UK)

[Pugly Awards: Arresting design wins accolades: But ugly condo indicts developers...Ugliness requires as much time, effort and money as beauty. Toronto is ugly because it chooses to be ugly. By Christopher Hume](#)- Toronto Star

[Grade expectations: Five buildings built in the 1960s and 1970s could soon be listed – Twentieth Century Society; Richard Horden; Philip Pank; Peter and Alison Smithson; Robert Harvey; Albert Richardson](#)- The Times (UK)

[University of Nebraska-Lincoln unveils plans for Quilt Study Center -- Robert A.M. Stern Architects; Alley Poyer Architecture \[image\]](#)- Lincoln Journal Star (Nebraska)

[UNL to Build First International Quilt Museum and Study Center -- Robert A.M. Stern Architects; Alley Poyer Architecture](#)- Newswise

[Ithaca College School of Business designer selected: building will be designed around sustainable principles -- Robert A.M. Stern Architects \[image\]](#)- The Ithacan

[Schlock Corridor: A new McDonald's with a glandular problem ups the ante for kitsch architecture on Chicago's Avenue of the Absurd. By Lynn Becker \[images\]](#)- Repeat (Chicago)

[The Art and Architecture building: love it, leave it or live in it -- Paul Rudolph](#)- Yale Daily News

[Ellerbe Becket fills six top posts: Recent departures prompt changes in leadership team](#)- Kansas City Star

[Rail Revival: Designs for New York's High Line Unveiled: "The High Line" at MoMA -- Field Operations/Diller Scofidio + Renfro \[images\]](#)- Interior Design Newswire

["Extreme Textiles": Finding a Flair in the Smartest Fabrics of Our Lives: The Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum offers a visually exciting, intensely tech-y show of industrial fibers and fabrics.](#)- New York Times

[Discovery and Collaboration = Chemical Reaction: University of Missouri-Columbia Life Sciences Center. By Gregory Blackburn, AIA - Anshen+Allen Architects/BNIM Architects \[images\]](#)- ArchNewsNow

[April '05 Build Business: Generating the Most Profitable Fees. By Eric P. Mott](#)

[-- Diller Scofidio + Renfro with Field Operations: The High Line, New York City -- Book: Nanoarchitecture: A New Species of Architecture By John M. Johansen; photographed by Michael Moran](#)

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